



Atty. Dkt. No. 074129-0519

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Kazuhiro SAITO et al  
Title: SUSTAINED-RELEASE  
PREPARATIONS  
Appl. No.: 10/530,186  
International Filing Date: 2/9/2005  
371(c) Date: 4/4/2005  
Examiner: Teller, Roy R.  
Art Unit: 1654  
Confirmation Number: 5576

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated November 14, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicants have enclosed with this response a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this document.